



# UB Highlights

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News & Events for April 1-15, 2013

## Careers in Business

*Tuesday, April 2, 4:30-6 p.m.*

You're invited to the Student Center Social Room for Alumni Panel Night, where UB Business School graduates will tell about their paths to success, industry trends, and more. Discuss your career questions with professionals in the fields of banking, finance and investments, business sourcing/solutions, and HR. For more info, contact Career Services, [careerscenter@bridgeport.edu](mailto:careerscenter@bridgeport.edu) or 203-576-4466.



## Autism Awareness

*Tuesday, April 2, 6-7:15 p.m.*

Come to the Littlefield Recital Hall in the Bernhard Center for "UB Light It Up Blue," where UB Psychology Professors Tracy Ryan and David Oberleitner will address the issue of autism. Sponsored by the UB Psychology Club. Free and open to all.



## Graduate Info Session

*Wednesday, April 3, 6-7:30 p.m.*

Students interested in the following graduate programs offered on the Bridgeport campus may get information about them at a session on the 6th floor of Wahlstrom Library: Counseling, Design Management, East Asian and Pacific Rim Studies, Education, Engineering, Global Development and Peace, Global Media and Communication Studies, MBA. Register at <http://www.bridgeport.edu/admissions/graduate/eventlisting.aspx>.



## Health Sciences Open House

*Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.*

Prospective students are invited to the 6th floor of Wahlstrom Library to learn about the application process and program details for the following programs: College of Chiropractic, College of Naturopathic Medicine, Nutrition Institute, Acupuncture Institute, M.S. Dental Hygiene, Physician Assistant Institute. To register, visit [www.bridgeport.edu/admissions/healthsciences](http://www.bridgeport.edu/admissions/healthsciences), call 888-822-4476, or email [lproctor@bridgeport.edu](mailto:lproctor@bridgeport.edu).



## Purple Knights Home Athletic Events April 1-15, 2013



### Baseball

Apr. 2 (Tues.), 3 p.m., Nyack @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 6 (Sat.), 12 & 2 p.m., Dowling @ Harbor Yard (double header)

Apr. 11 (Thurs.), 3 p.m., Wilmington (Del.) @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 12 (Fri.), 3 p.m., Queens @ Harbor Yard

Apr. 14 (Sun.) 12 p.m., Queens @ Harbor Yard

### Lacrosse (Women's)

Apr. 10 (Weds.), 6 p.m., Mercy @ Knights Field

Apr. 15 (Mon.), 6 p.m., Nyack @ Knights Field

### Softball

Apr. 1 (Mon.) 3 & 5 p.m., American International @ Deluca Softball Complex, Stratford (double header)

Apr. 6 (Sat.), 12 & 2 p.m., Queens @ Deluca Softball Complex, Stratford (double header)

Apr. 11 (Thurs.), 3 & 5 p.m., Dowling @ Deluca Softball Complex, Stratford (double header)

Apr. 12 (Fri.), 3 & 5 p.m., Nyack @ Deluca Softball Complex, Stratford (double header)

## Amateur Astronomers Series

*Friday, April 5, 6:15-8 p.m.*

The Amateur Astronomers Association (AAA) of New York presents Andrew Kessler, author of *Martian Summer*, speaking on his experience working inside the Mars lander program, "Robot Arms, Cowboy Spacemen, and My 90 Days with the Phoenix Mars Mission." UB Professor of Mathematics and Physics **David Kraft** is lecture chair for the AAA and arranges the series. Free and open to the public, in the Kaufmann Auditorium of the American Museum of Natural History in New York, but an RSVP is appreciated. To reply, or for more information, visit [www.aaa.org/lectures](http://www.aaa.org/lectures). For more about Andrew Kessler, visit [www.kessleronmars.com](http://www.kessleronmars.com).

## Type Directors Show

*Monday, April 8, 5:30-8 p.m.*

A reception will be held in the Schelfhault Gallery of the Bernhard Center for the annual competition exhibit of the TDC/Type Directors Club of New York. The prestigious TDC typography competition brings outstanding works from all over the world to be considered for inclusion in the traveling exhibition. A talk for design students and professionals about the show by TDC Executive Director Carol Wahler, at 4:30 p.m., precedes the reception, which is free and open to all.



## Sammis Lecture Series

*Tuesday, April 9, 6 p.m.*

The Spring East Asia and Pacific Rim Colloquia in the Sammis Lecture Series continue with "The Perils and Hopes of Sino-African Relations," presented by China expert Steve Hess, UB assistant professor of political science, who will share his findings on the implications of China's growing economic and political ties on the African continent. Free and open to all, in the Schelfhault Gallery of the Bernhard Center.



## IDEAL Info Sessions

*Wednesday, April 10, 6-7 p.m.*

Information will be offered on UB's popular adult degree-completion program at the Bridgeport (Wahlstrom Library, first floor, Discovery Pavilion), Waterbury (84 Progress Lane), and Stamford (5 Riverbend Drive) campuses. To register, or for more information, visit [www.bridgeport.edu/ideal](http://www.bridgeport.edu/ideal), or for Bridgeport and Stamford, call 203-576-4800; for Waterbury, call 203-597-9036.



## Eurozone Crisis Panel

*Thursday, April 11, 6 p.m.*

Dr. Paul Adam, professor of political science at the University of Pittsburgh, and Dr. Kaatikne Laatikainen, of Adelphi University, will join Dr. Dave Benjamin, chair of UB's Global Development and Peace program, to explore the nature of the Eurozone crisis and its impact on the European Union, its major trading partners, and the developing world. Free and open to all, in the Schelfhault Gallery of the Bernhard Center.

## "Opera in Cinema" Lecture

UB Professor of Music Jeffrey Johnson will give the pre-screening lecture before the film broadcast of Puccini's "Tosca," from the Royal Opera House, at the Bijou Theatre, 275 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, on Sunday, April 7, at 12:15. For tickets and information, visit <http://thebijoutheatre.com/calendar/>.

## An Interfashional Affair!

*Thursday, April 11, 4 and 7 p.m.*

No need to update your passports when UB Fashion Merchandising students present a taste of Fashion Weeks in Cairo, Johannesburg, Mumbai, Hong Kong, London, and Rio de Janeiro, and all stops along the way, right here at UB. Come to one of the two shows, free and open to all, in the Student Center Social Room!



## Accepted Students Day

*Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.*

Accepted students are invited to experience what it is like to be a UB student. Starting with a continental breakfast reception at the Wheeler Recreation Center, activities will include a student clubs and organizations fair, a classroom "test drive," lunch with current students and faculty, and financial aid assistance. Register online or call 1-800-392-3582.

## 37TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL WEEK EVENTS

**Monday, April 8:**

**Universal Art Exposé & Photo Contest**, a variety of art works and photos by students from around the world, 7-9 p.m., Great Room of the Student Center

**Tuesday, April 9:**

**Weddings Around the World Coffee Hour**, with students in their traditional clothing and offering information about weddings in their cultures, 7-9 p.m., North Hall lobby

**Wednesday, April 10:**

**Taste of the World**, offering free samples of a variety of ethnic dishes, desserts, and drinks, 4-6 p.m., Great Room of the Student Center

**Friday, April 12:**

**International Flag Parade:** Join other students, faculty and staff bearing flags of many countries as they march through the campus. Meet in the Student Center lobby at 12:15 and stop at the Bernhard Center parking lot about 1:30 p.m. (weather permitting).

**Cultural Corner**, offering free traditional drinks and foods from around the world, 2-4 p.m., Schelfhault Gallery of the Bernhard Center

**Saturday, April 13:**

**37th Annual International Festival**, the week's grand finale, showcasing student talent and celebrating the cultures of the world, 7 p.m., Mertens Theatre of the Bernhard Center. Advance tickets will be on sale around campus and at the ISS office: UB students, \$5; faculty/staff, \$7; guests, \$10. At the door, students \$7; faculty/staff, \$10; guests, \$12.

**Note: Marina Dining Hall will serve ethnic foods throughout International Week.**

# UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

## STUDENTS & ALUMNI

### ATHLETICS

To top off a magical season, the Purple Knights men's basketball team advanced on March 17 to the Sweet Sixteen in the 2013 NCAA Div. II Tournament, UB's first regional basketball tournament appearance in 21 years. In the last few seconds of a thrilling game on March 19, the Knights were finally stopped by Franklin Pierce, whom they had defeated 21 years earlier to join the Elite Eight.

**Darian David**, senior guard, was named to the ECAC Men's Basketball Div. II All-Star First Team, the 2012-13 Daktronics NCAA Div. II Men's Basketball East All-Region Second Team, and by the National Association of Basketball Coaches to the Div. II All-District East Second Team.

**Dion Waiters**, a defensive stalwart who led the NCAA in steals per game, was named ECC Defensive Player of the Year. He was also appointed to the 2012-13 Daktronics NCAA Div. II Men's Basketball East All-Region Second Team.

**Priscilla Dodoo** was named ECAC Women's Basketball Player of the Year and was a First Team ECAC Div. II All-Star.

**Tanisha Carter** was honored with a place on the 2012-23 Daktronics NCAA Div. II Women's Basketball All-East Region Second Team, as well as to the 2013 ECAC Div. II Women's Basketball All-Star First Team.

**Jennine Walsh**, standout softball pitcher, has been selected as the East Coast Conference Rookie of the Week for her outstanding play during the Purple Knights spring break training in Florida.

**Sasha Tsikhanovich**, a sophomore, won the 2013 ECAC Div. II All-Around crown in the ECAC gymnastics tournament March 24. **Lisette La Fex** was second in the All-Around. **Monica Mesalles Sallares** and **Lorraine Galow** won the vault and beam events, respectively. **Caitlin Perry**, **Melissa Coucette**, and **Jenna Hamala-Smith** won places in the floor exercises. ECAC honors went to **Sasha Tsikhanovich** (Athlete of the Year), **Becky Caravetta** (Assistant Coach of the Year), and **Byron Knox** (Coach of the Year).

### ENGINEERING

**Laiiali Almazaydeh** won first place with his project, "SVM-Based Sleep Anpea Identification using Optimal RR-Interval Features of the ECG Signal," in the graduate research project competition at the regional American Society of Engineering Education (ASEE) conference at Norwich University March 16.

## FACULTY & STAFF

### ARTS & SCIENCES

**Eric Lehman**, senior lecturer in English, has published "The Twenty Story Summer," in the May issue of *The Writer* magazine. His memoir, *Afoot in Connecticut: Journeys in Natural History*, will also be released in paperback by Homebound Publications in May.

**Maria Gherasimova**, assistant professor of physics, will give an invited talk entitled "Directing Spontaneity: Controlled Self-Assembly of Materials on the Nanoscale," at the Pathways to Academic Excellence (PAcE) Seminar Series at Southern Connecticut State University April 5. PAcE is funded by the National Science Foundation to provide scholarships to students majoring in science and mathematics who have academic promise and financial need.

### CHIROPRACTIC

**Paul Sherman**, coordinator of academic affairs and associate professor of clinical sciences, has presented two postgraduate seminars. One was a 5-hour seminar on March 16 at Bloomfield College (NJ) entitled "Patient Communication, Documentation Protocols and a Systematic Approach to Radiographic Evaluation of the Spine." The other was a one-hour teleseminar on March 23 through Chirocredit.com on documentation protocols for Evaluation and Management (E/M) codes for new and established patients.

**Stephen Perle**, professor of clinical sciences, has been appointed an associate lecturer at Institut Franco Européen de Chiropratique, in France. In March Prof. Perle lectured at the Institute's two sites on chiropractic philosophy, ethics, the future of chiropractic, epistemology, evidence-based practice, and cognitive errors.

### PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT INSTITUTE

**Martha Petersen**, associate director of the Institute, has co-authored a chapter, "Mass Casualty and Disaster Management," in the latest (5th) edition of *Physician Assistant: A Guide to Clinical Practice*.

### SASD

**Peter Konsterlie**, adjunct professor of design and Schelfhault Gallery director, will show his paintings in the juried SOLOS 2013 exhibition, at the Westport Arts Center (WAC). Out of more than 100 entries, only 12 artists were accepted for this prestigious show. An opening reception will be held at the WAC on Friday, April 5, 6-8 p.m.

## STUDENTS & ALUMNI ENGINEERING (CONTINUED)

Advisors for *Laili Almazaydeh*, the first-place winner, were *Khaled Elleithy* and *Miad Faezipour*. In an unprecedented sweep, UB students were awarded all the awards at this year's ASEE conference, as follows:

Second Place: *Isam Hameed*, for "Blood Vessel Segmentation in Retinal Images with a Novel Network Tracking Algorithm," advisor *Buket Barkana*.

Third Place: *Nazar A. Fadhil* and *Deleer S. Saber*, for "Power Harvesting from Arteries using Nano-scale PVDF for Implanted Devices," advisor *Prabir Patra*.

Fourth Place: *Can Ozan Gulcihan* and *Ece Haznedaroglu*, for "Reverse Logistics Operation Management via Radi Frequency Identification-Based (RFID-Based) Information Network for End-of-Life Pharmaceutical Products," advisor *Elif Kongar*.

Fifth Place: *Deleer S. Saber* and *Nazar A. Fadhil*, for "Intravascular Multi-layered Glucose Sensor for an Artificial Pancreas," advisor *Prabir Patra*.

Sixth Place: *Xiaowei Yu*, for "Voltage-Downscaling with Logic Shut-Down for Low-Power VLSI Design," advisor *Xingguo Xiong*.

### SASD

*Jose Pizarro* and *Erika Ayala*, graphic design juniors, won first (\$150) and second (\$50) prizes, respectively, in the Ad Club of Connecticut's billboard design competition on February 27. They used their own pets as models, since the 2013 theme was "Adopt a Shelter Pet." Jose's design will be displayed on digital billboards throughout Connecticut in the coming weeks.

*Melissa Matos*, a graphic design student, has received an award from the Advertising Club of Connecticut for her logo developed for the UB Music Department.

### HELP ON INCOME TAXES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Since tax year 2006, the University of Bridgeport has sponsored a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program for international students. On Friday afternoons in March and the first half of April, international students may come to the clinic in the Student Center Private Dining Room for help in preparing their tax returns. International students are required to fill out tax forms whether or not they had any income in 2012. Volunteers are trained by the IRS to assist students. Every year UB VITA helps about 1,000 international students at UB and from other universities nearby.

## FACULTY & STAFF UBCPA

*Susan Katz*, senior lecturer in mass communication, is a bronze winner in the 34th Annual Telly Awards, for best political advertising, through her Katzing Creative Ways. Over 11,000 entries were received, from all 50 states and internationally. Her winning 30-second spot, "Speaking Truth to What Matters Most," ran in the final week of the 2013 election cycle for CT State Senate candidate Carolanne Curry. See the spot at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=dNxULKI6RHs](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=dNxULKI6RHs). Prof. Katz's campaign website for Carolanne Curry was also named a finalist in the Reed Awards, sponsored by *Campaigns and Elections* magazine.

## Financial Aid Deadlines

### Returning Students for Summer 2013

**FAFSA deadline: Monday, April 1, 2013**

Completed documents deadline: Monday April 15, 2013. Financial Aid will be canceled on May 13, 2013 if documents are not submitted by April 15.

### Returning Students for Fall 2013

**FAFSA deadline: Monday, April 1, 2013**

Completed documents deadline: Monday, July 1, 2013. Financial Aid will be canceled on August 1, 2013, if documents are not submitted by July 1.

## *In Honor of Lauren Rousseau*

UB's School of Education has established a scholarship in honor of Lauren Gabrielle Rousseau, a 30-year old teacher who was among those who died at Sandy Hook Elementary School in December. Lauren had lived most of her life in Danbury and was a 2005 graduate of UB's School of Education.

The \$1,000 Lauren Rousseau Memorial Scholarship will be awarded each year to an applicant seeking certification in elementary education. Lauren was a highly motivated, passionate, strong individual with a desire to make a meaningful contribution to the lives of young children through her teaching. The scholarship applicant should demonstrate the same significant character traits. To donate, to apply, or more info, visit <http://www.bridgeport.edu/Rousseau>.

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